Having been duly posted on the 30<sup>th</sup> day of June 2003 and the public having the opportunity to comment on the propriety of the following regulation will be duly promulgated and become effective on the 2<sup>nd</sup> day of July 2003

## RE: ADMINISTRATIVE REGULATION NO. 1-2003 2000 International Fire Code City of Grand Junction

Issued by: /s/ Rick Beaty \_\_\_\_\_6/30/03 Rick Beaty, Fire Chief \_\_\_\_\_Date

## Topic:

Restricting the use of fireworks in City parks, riverfront trails, and public right-ofways, except for authorized commercial activity.

## Background:

The purpose of this Administrative Regulation is to interpret, clarify, and fully implement Section 104.1 of Chapter 1 and Section 3301.2.3 of Chapter 33 of the 2000 International Fire Code ("Fire Code"). Section 104.1 provides that the fire chief is authorized to enforce the provisions of the Fire Code and has the authority to interpret the Fire Code. Section 3301.2.3 provides that the fire chief has the authority to limit the quantity of fireworks permitted at a given location. In the interest of public safety the Fire Chief chooses to limit the quantity of fireworks in City parks, riverfront trails, and public right-of-ways to zero, except for authorized commercial activity.

## Administrative Interpretation:

Section 3301.2.3 specifically provides that the fire chief has the authority "to limit the quantity of explosives, explosive materials, or fireworks permitted at a given location."

It is the interpretation of the Fire Chief that the foregoing provision shall be liberally construed for and in the interest of protecting the public. The Fire Chief hereby determines that such provision, for the purposes of effectuating the Fire Code and the protection of the general health, safety and welfare of the community, allows for the limitation of the quantity of fireworks in City parks, riverfront trails, and public right-of-ways. Until further notice, the limitation for purposes of this Regulation is that zero fireworks are allowed in these locations, except for authorized commercial activity.